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Above are four outstanding four footed figures in the community with their respective owners. The bottom right picture shows Topsy, snapped against a background of Judy and the Emerson living room. Left, Sandy with his master Bill McConnell. Above, Admiral with Phyllis Moat, and Bonnie with Bob Struven.

Topsy, Admiral, Sandy, Bonnie, are given nod

as Shaker's canines of the month. These dogs are the companions of Judy Emerson, Phyllis Moat, Bill McConnell, and Bob Struven, respectively, all students at the high school.

Being very original, Bill McConnell named his six-year-old dog Sandy because he was light brown. Like his original master, Sandy can sit, carry a paper, shake hands, roll over, and play dead, but unlike most dogs Sandy is always going to neighborhood houses to eat food.

Black-haired Topsy, Judy Emerson's dog, can do the same tricks as Sandy but she doesn't beg at neighbors' houses. However, she does have one annoying habit. She just loves to sit on people's laps, and as soon as anybody sits down in the Emerson house, up jumps Topsy, and settles down. In spite of this, Judy still says, "She's awfully sweet."

Phyllis Moat's Admiral, a thoroughbred German shepherd, was trained at a dog training school to heel, shake hands, and do other things, but he cannot sit very well. "He has too large a stomach," explained Phyllis. Admiral's favorite hobby is to knock over garbage cans.

Bonnie, thoroughbred blue terrier

Our last spotlighted canine is the thoroughbred Kerry blue terrier, Bonnie, belonging to Bob Struven. A veteran of eleven summers, Bonnie enjoys the clever avocation of chasing delivery men. Along with her master Bonnie is "butched" every summer. Weighing fifty pounds, she has two scheduled meals a day, augmented by a between-meal snack of anything from onions to mustard. An outstanding trait in this blue-blooded blue terrier, "the most affectionate dog living," is her strong attachment for Pete McDonald's dog, Chewy. Rather indolent by nature, she sleeps a good percentage of the day and heartily prefers riding in cars to walking on four feet.

Ann Nieman

Red Cross aims at 100% when

the Shaker Heights High School Red Cross Campaign opens Monday, March 17. No monetary goal has been set for the drive. The Student Council is handling the campaign, in which the entire school netted \$365 last year.

The national 1947 quota is 60 million dollars. Half of this will go to chapters throughout the country to finance work in their respective communities. The other 30 million dollars is for the National Red Cross.

The Red Cross drive is being conducted on an international basis. The prime objective is the bringing of relief to civilians in the form of mobile canteens and clothing.

Other services which the Red Cross offers are: assisting in time of disaster, giving aid to the wounded and suffering, numerous health services such as nursing, nutrition, first aid, accident prevention, blood donor service, and the Junior Red Cross.

His, music instructor, who hopes that "the Shaker students will attend this thrilling performance."

Shaker holds LEL Play Day for 100 girls,

Saturday, March 22, from 9:30 a. m. until 2:30 p. m. The theme of the day will be a circus. The one hundred girls participating will represent Hallway Brown School, Laurel, Shaw, Cleveland Heights, Elyria, Lorain, Lakewood, Euclid Shore, Andrews School for Girls, and Shaker Heights High School.

Activities start with registration and continue through the morning with basketball, volleyball, badminton, table tennis and shuffleboard. After luncheon in the cafeteria, there will be dancing and swimming. These activities will take place in the Shaker Gym.

Plans for these events are in the hands of five members of Girls' Leaders Club with Mary Downes as general chairman. Registration is under the direction of Dolores Matey. Assisting her are Lynn Wilson and Ellen Myer.

The program chairman, Ardis French, has on her committee, Lynn Rask, June Dickerson, and Betty Gubelmann. Janet Reese, in charge of decorations, is aided by Marian Bentz, Mary Elva Congleton, and Helen Masoros.

Refreshments are being arranged by Joan Samas, Grace Warba, and Jean Bryan, with Marilyn Bartow as chairman.

Sue Peritore, Doris Jacobson, and Nancy Bigelow are taking care of the officiating; they are supervised by Jeanne Menyhert.

Singer conducts track clinic

at the high school this Saturday morning, March 15. The clinic, two hour program, managed by Ray Singer, school track coach, for the development of running and field hopefuls will feature lectures, an exhibition of track equipment, movies, and demonstrations of new track techniques by expert cinder men.

The speakers will be Coach George Henry from Ohio State University, Coach Ivan Greene of East Tech High School and Coach Art Bridenbaugh from Rocky River High School. Ed Barker of the Ohio Association of track coaches will lecture on starting and track officiating.

Mr. Singer has invited eighty schools from the Northeastern Ohio District to the clinic.

More than last year's four hundred track participants are expected. Each coach has been invited to bring several of his track squad members.

The annual track clinic will continue to be held at Shaker since this school was the originator of this organization a year ago.



At the left Bruce MacNab and Sam Caruso, both lettermen and hurdlers, point to the date of the indoor scholastic track meet at the Arena.

Tourney defeat by Heights ends court

season, February 26, at Euclid Shore in the first round of the Northeastern Ohio District Cage Tournament. The Raider five fell before the Hilltoppers for the third time this season, 61-36.

George Bissell, playing the last game of his high school career, was credited with 12 points, while Savransky led the opposition with 17.

Tuesday, February 16, the Shaker squad was handed their first defeat by Lakewood on the Rangers' court, 66-48. Although many Shakerites had witnessed a 39-19 triumph by Lakewood at Shaker, the game was awarded to the locals by forfeit.

This was done because of a slight infraction of the state eligibility rules by a Purple and Gold player. The score of the forfeited game: Shaker 2; Lakewood 0.

The second Lakewood contest was

an exceptionally high-scoring one. Both Bissell and Yuhas of Lakewood scored 20 points. Al Courtney, his leg still bandaged after a pulled muscle, played an outstanding floor game for the Rangers. Lou Seidman followed Bissell in points scored with 10, while Jack Kennedy hit the hoop for eight.

Several seconds before this game was to be closed the buzzer rang to allow a Lakewood substitute to enter the game. The crowd, believing the sound to indicate the finish of the evening's activities, swarmed over the floor. This prevented resumption of the game.

The Friday preceding tourney time saw Shaker fall to Heights, co LEL champs, 42-24. Jack Kennedy probably played his best game of the year and scored 11 points.

Ohio Parent Teachers Congress establishes scholarship fund of

\$5000 for teacher education. This is an attempt to assist in the alleviating of the teacher shortage in Ohio.

Spring choir date set for March 21 at

Cleveland Heights High School. The Shaker A Cappella will vie for honors with the choirs of Lorain, Elyria, Heights, Lakewood and Shaw. Each school will have twelve minutes to present numbers, after which the combined choirs of about five hundred voices will sing.

An interesting program has been planned for these Lake Erie League participants. The choir members will leave school in the afternoon for Heights, where they will rehearse, dance, and play games. At 5:30 p. m. dinner will be served, and after that they will have the opportunity of seeing movies until eight o'clock, when the concert will

Twenty-five scholarships of \$200 each will be granted to June graduates on the basis of character, personality, scholastic record, aptitude for teaching, health and declaration of intention to teach in the public schools.

These scholarships may be renewed upon submission of evidence of satisfactory progress in teacher training. Only seniors interested in applying for this scholarship should see Russell Rupp, principal, within the week. The deadline for filing applications is April 15.

begin

The Shaker Choir will sing *Swanee, Holiday for Strings, Kutna Hora* and *Yonder, Yonder*. The massed choirs, directed by George Strickling of Heights and T. R. Evans of Lakewood will offer *How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place, Nina, In the Land of Old Black Joe, and Judgment Day*.

Tickets may be purchased for thirty-five cents from Reynold El-

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Chuck Polizzi is curator of gun, sword collection

Fifty guns, twenty knives, bayonets, and swords make up the large collection of arms owned by Chuck Polizzi. His hobby was started four years ago when he received a .45 automatic pistol from Judge Arthur Day.

Todd Kolb, Shaker sophomore, who has a gun collection of his own, persuaded Chuck to make gun study his hobby. Chuck carried out this suggestion by procuring guns from home-coming service men, local dealers, and friends in different parts of the country.

The oddest gun in Chuck's collection is the knuckle duster. After its seven cartridges have been exploded, the gun can be turned around, using the handle as a brass knuckle.

Another rare piece is the sword cane from Canada. This sword cane was formerly a part of the men's regular dress in Paris. It was used to protect the citizens from the Pache mob.

Frontier pistol, tear gas gun included

Chuck's Colt frontier pistol is an old time gun with the front sight removed for a quick draw. The tear gas gun is used in police riots. Chuck's oldest gun is his 58-year-old 45 70 Springfield rifle, which has never been fired.

The double-barreled Darringer was acquired by Chuck after it was used by gamblers on the river front. The pepper box gun holds eight shots in one cylinder which revolves around the center of the weapon.

One of Chuck's prize possessions is the Syrian knife with a curved blade. The teakwood sheath is inlaid with gold and silver.

A German designed Japanese Nambu was brought to Chuck from overseas. Another Japanese gun is the copy of the American Smith and Wesson firearm.

Chuck's match rifle with the muzzle load was used in the match contest in the picture, Sergeant York. The Mauser automatic pistol is an oddity with its wooden combination holster and stock on the back.

Another significant piece in Chuck's collection is the small German "last chance gun." There is an extra trigger on the side of the gun handle, often used when the gun must be surrendered. The woman's muff pistol, single or double-barrelled and of small calibre, was so named because it was often carried in a woman's muff.

Chuck delights in taking all of his guns apart, breaking them in, cleaning, and servicing them. Chuck also enjoys his two minor hobbies, coin and stamp collecting.

Mary Jo Gibbs



Amster and Hollander

The Dust Pan Swept Together by Syd and Sal

Old but still talked about is the marvelous weekend Scooter Walker, Ellen Myer, and Marilyn Bartow had at Yale visiting Dave Dressler, Stu Kuhn and Jack Blalowsky. Others recently at college weekends included Sally Bauer at Cornell and Joan Bernstein at the University of Chicago.

Former Shakerites are continuing to make their marks in the society pages. Bebe Green was married recently to Anthony Wayne Webner, II. They're both at Ohio Wesleyan. Not so unexpectedly comes the announcement that Betsy Boykin and Bill Griffith are pinned. Pat Kuhns and Dick Jones are engaged, and so is Gloria Stua, to a Brown boy (Brown University, not an Indian) whose name we can't get hold of.

Irish of school await Saint Patrick's Day

Faith and begorrah but Saint Patrick's Day is nearly here. With it, of course, comes the traditional Irish songs, shamrocks, and the "wearing of the green."

Possible Shaker descendants of the great Saint are Chuck and Mary McCrory and Doris Donovan. While Chuck claims he doesn't care for Irish songs, and Mary has no favorite, Doris likes the beautiful ballad, "A Little Bit of Heaven."

Terrence Miskel and Jeanne Mulilan like the more lively Irish song and vote as their favorite "McNamara's Band."

Miss Lillian Burke, an Irish member of the faculty, says that naturally her favorite color is green and her song is "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling." On March 17 Shakerites are likely to hear Skip Rosser singing "Too Ra Loo Ra Loo Ra."

General John Harbourt is always glad to orate on how he met his bride leaning against a lamp post in old Donegal. And on this gala day for the Irish can anyone find out "How Are Things in Glocca Mora?"

Exhibit depicts city planning

The new exhibit in the Little Gallery off the main floor contains a series of mounts on the subject of city planning. The material was gathered by the Cleveland Museum of Art and assembled to show the growth of Greater Cleveland. The exhibit will be of special interest to students in Mrs. Ruth Sacha's classes as well as the Art classes.

City planning commissions all over this country are concerned with the migration of population to the suburbs, this leaves the center or core of a large city to go to ruin. Cleveland's Euclid Avenue between East 30th and East 40th Streets is a case in point. The elaborate mansions of millionaires are now rooming houses or parking lots for used cars. In thirty years what will Shaker Heights be like as compared to its present condition? Will this blighted area which is spreading out as far as East 105th Street come up the hill into the Heights? What plans are being made to correct the factors causing this decay before it goes farther?

Is a city willing to pay the cost in rehabilitating areas or would the citizens prefer to pay the cost of the crime which breeds in the underprivileged sectors?

SEE THIS EXHIBIT WHICH PRESENTS SOME OF THE REMEDIES.

Shirley Weber received word recently that she's been accepted at Greenbriar College for Women, so she'll finish high school there next year.

Marty Stubbs is on the steady list linked with ex-Marine George Schweinfurth.

The day feared by all 12-A's came toward the end of February when a mimeographed list of all the seniors' full names was posted in full view of all. Homeroom 224 is rumored leading the race of funny middle names with Cyril, Leroy, and DeWolfe to its credit.

Reserve, Chicago release news of scholarships

Scholarships to Cleveland College of Western Reserve University will be given to 15 Cleveland High School graduates on Scholarship Day, May 10, 1947. It has been announced by Robert C. Wilcox, counselor on admissions at the college. Scholarships cover academic tuition for one year.

Winners may use scholarships in any of the divisions offered by the college, liberal arts, science, or business administration.

Competitors for the scholarships must rank in the highest quarter of their graduating class.

Credentials of students recommended by their school officials must be submitted to Cleveland College by April 15, 1947.

Chicago scholarships open to entire school

More than 100 scholarships, valued at \$100,000, will be awarded by the College of the University of Chicago for the 1947-48 school year to students who have completed the sophomore, junior, or senior years in high school. Robert M. Hutchins, chancellor of the university, announced.

The scholarships, ranging from full tuition of \$420 up to \$1000 a year, will be granted in nation-wide competition held April 19. Applications for scholarship and admission must be submitted by April 1. All awards are made for one year, but may be renewed in the same amount up to a total of four years or until the College program is completed if academic performance is sufficiently high to merit renewal. The ultimate value of a scholarship may range to \$4,000.

Cleveland has been designated as a center for the test.

Students wishing to apply for scholarships may obtain application forms by writing to the Entrance Counselor, the University of Chicago, Chicago 37, Illinois.

Shaker Briefs

Two new basketball opponents are scheduled to play the Shaker five in the 1947-48 season. Warren Harding High School's squad will face the Shaker team, December 20, 1947, at Warren, and John Adams will be pitted against the Raiders, January 20, 1948, on the Shaker court.

Mrs. Matilda Bishop represents the high school on the committee to arrange for a tribute to be dedicated in the memory of Miss Ethel Hadley. The death of Miss Hadley last fall, in view of her splendid contribution to the Shaker schools through her work in the social studies department at the junior high, was received with extreme sadness.

Biology division's windowless chambers yield bacteria, frogs

One might expect everything in the two haunts between rooms 300 and 303 from human bones, those of biology students, of course, to amoeba; he would almost be correct.

The skeleton pictured, however, was purchased through regular supply channels, and is not a pupil who incurred the wrath of any science teacher. The strange-looking creature sitting to the right of Mr. Bones is not another specimen for student scrutiny, but 10A Don Arnstine braving the terrors to prepare some notes.

Among the living matter is a colony of eight frogs which were collected by Sophomore David Burt, Alfred Linschied, science teacher, had an awkward time feeding these animals live bees, for there is many a slip twist the hive and the lip.



Amster and Hollander

Don Arnstine stops his study of the skeleton belonging to Alfred Linschied, science instructor, long enough for a picture.

"How can I remove the shell from a raw egg without disturbing the contents?" Larry Lemel, tenth year pupil, attacked this problem. The "Open Sesame" was a mild solution of nitric acid which dissolved the hard outer layer.

Donna Swainey interested in bacteria

To most, bacteria are little organisms man could well do without, but Donna Swainey, 10A, has spent many hours grinding, filtering, and cooking culture media for an experiment concerning these minute creatures.

Upon entering the first "backroom," one senses a slight difference in the atmosphere, and he is told that this is formaldehyde, a non-parfum preservative. Budding biologists, the more hardy, that is, enjoy the scent immensely, especially while looking for an elusive ± 5 stopper. Shelves and shelves of chemicals, test tubes, pickled animals, and human organs immediately attract one's attention. Crocks and barrels full of juicy dissecting material make the genuine student drool with anticipation. Frogs, yellow perch, and crayfish are on the menu for the classes. Outside material (brains, hearts, eyeballs) is always appreciated.

Fable behind Abbey library painting told

"I love you as much as you deserve to be loved." This statement, made by Cordelia, one of King Lear's daughters, was the answer to that monarch's request for a description of Cordelia's affection for him.

Cordelia's two sisters, Regan and Goneril, used glowing terms to express their love for King Lear and were rewarded with the kingdom.

As is seen in the library's copy of the famous painting by Edwin Austin Abbey, when these two women secured control of the crown, they forced the exodus of the King and his one true daughter.

"I like this picture especially, because of its deep reds, which harmonize with the bindings of our library books," says Miss Jean Anderson, school librarian. Miss Anderson purchased this art work for the school in 1929. "Some day the picture will hang in the back of the library, but the low hanging lights prevent this now."

Interview with Taft produces Senator's view

of labor, the presidential nomination, an Atomic Commission Chairman, and teachers' salaries.

On one of his rare visits to Cleveland, Ohio's distinguished Senator, Robert A. Taft, the most controversial figure in Congress today and the leading contender for the 1948 Republican presidential nomination, gave a press breakfast interview, February 25, in the Shurtleff Room of the Central Y M C A before a crowd of 32 correspondents of the Hi-News Corps.

The Senator was in Cleveland to address a gathering of the Cleveland Health and Welfare Association.

When questioned on what he thought about an anti-labor bill to prevent strikes, Senator Taft replied that it was necessary to put into effect such a bill to protect the public from labor's "unreasonable demands." He didn't think that the bill should be referred to as anti-labor, however, he agreed that unions would probably call it just that.

"The labor unions have made all these unreasonable demands because they think they have the power to get away with it. Labor has abused its privileges, and, therefore, I think action in the form of legislation should be taken by the Congress to restrict it."

Candidacy to be decided in summer

"Are you a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination?" a high school reporter queried.

The Senator chuckled and answered, "I don't know yet, and I won't decide until next summer," he said.

Revealing confidential information which he requested not be printed in the school newspapers, the Senator told of the two men, either of whom he would prefer to see as Chairman of the Atomic Control Commission instead of Mr. Lillenthal.

The next morning the Cleveland Plain Dealer printed the names of the two men whom Mr. Taft suggested. Therefore, it is fair to repeat the names in this article. The two men are Robert La Follette and General Farrell.

The Senator concurred in that something must be done to increase the low salaries of school teachers and other public employees. He remembered, however, that he had been away from that problem for almost eight years. He used to deal with educational issues. He felt that it was the duty of the individual states, according to their incomes, to support their schools and their teachers.

Al Schwartzberg



Shaker's James Randall

Mat team delivers with .888 average

for the scheduled nine card Raider season. Only the Admirals of Shore trimmed Coach Joe Iofredo's ten men.

February 27, the grapplers went to Bedford and wound up a very successful winter by taking the measure of the Bearcats, 25-12.

Dick Daniel, wrestling at 112 for the first time, pinned his opponent Bob Greiner and Ross Sanfilippo kept their records clean, by decisioning their men.

Also in the decision column were Sonny Galier and Tom Reading. Carl Murray pinned his foe, Matowitz and Saunders gained draws.

Showing a brilliant flash of power, Shaker trampled Adams at Adams, February 20. As a result Shaker was securely planted in the runnerup position in the league.

Bobby Greiner registered a pin. Lefty Janssen decisioned his man. Sanfilippo decisioned the well-known Juby Sherman Hamel and Frank Ciulla followed with decisions. Once more Carl Murray notched a pin. Tom Reading completed the scoring with a draw.

Ross Sanfilippo and Bobby Greiner went through the year unbeaten. Sanfilippo also broke the all-time Shaker mat record by pinning seven and decisioning the remaining two of his nine opponents.

New York papers acclaim Randall piano sonata, played recently by

New York's famed Carnegie Hall by the concert pianist, Leonard Shure.

James Randall, a Shaker senior, has been studying music since the age of five. He wrote his first composition when he was ten, and he is at present studying music with Herbert Elwell, music critic of the Plain Dealer. He is also an accomplished pianist. Marian Mastics and Mr. Shure are now his piano tutors.

The sonata which Shure played was written in eight months. It lasts approximately twenty-five minutes and is cast in four movements: moderately fast, lyrical, very fast, slow, lyrical, fast tempo. The first movement is in sonata form, and the second is a highly rhythmical scherzo. The last movement employs jazz rhythms.

The work was played by Shure on February 25th in the Music Hall, and earlier this season in Boston and Washington. Mr. Shure became acquainted with the work last year when Jim was studying piano with him. Shure has great faith in the composition; he says that it is mature and highly original in content.

The New York Times music critic said: "Modern in its idiom without being unduly dissonant, the lengthy composition in four movements boasted a combination of dramatic power and tender lyricism hardly to be expected from so youthful a composer. There was real rhythmical life in the scherzo and corner movements, and the sonata augured well for the composer's future."

"Unmistakably American"

Another review said: "The sonata may be described as having fresh and individual sound. It is unmistakably American music, continuing the tradition of MacDowell. Romanticism runs to something far short of extreme. It pervades rather than dominates. There comes through plenty of fiery assertiveness and busy, complicated action. Furthermore, the sonata is unmistakably piano music, the real two-handed, keyboard article."

Randall plans to attend either Columbia or Yale, where he will study music. He enjoys reading and

has a fine library. He is also a member of the tennis team.

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Introduction of cage system affords Shaker

new hope in basketball wars yet to come. Fred Heinlen, Raider court coach, has established a definite policy in basketball instruction which should assert itself in the immediate future.

He has inaugurated plans to set up basketball in the elementary schools, summer playgrounds, and to encourage it in the junior high. Moreover, he has devoted much time and energy to the large number of juniors on this year's varsity squad in preparation for next season.

A summary of this past basketball season might well be an attempt to visualize Shaker's court future as opposed to a season resume which can be obtained by the scores amassed this season.

In black and white, the Raider ball club won four ball games and dropped nine. In lieu of previous seasonal records this is an improvement in the won and lost column.

The three who figure prominently in next year's basketball campaign are Jack Holler, Lou Seidman, and Jerry Davis. Each of them netted ten or more points at least once following their entrance into the line-up after mid-year graduation. If they can profit by this season's mistakes, a nucleus for the next season will be effected.

Two others of interest are Dick Evans and George Reinbrecht, both over six feet and talented. They undoubtedly will figure in the coming season.

Tim Roudebush, Paul Kossick, Tom Thrailkill, and Neal Hesehe are juniors who saw action.

Final commendation belongs to Jack Kennedy and George Bissell, who bowed out after highlighting the Raiders' play in the final games. Jerry Cook, who was out of the line-up during the latter half of the schedule because of an injured ankle, is also the target of recognition.

Soph squad provides skilled players

The sophomore team will be a factor in the future basketball setup. Prospects like Dick Dank and Todd Kolb have shown rebound ability which will make them valuable, particularly after they develop their shots.

Bob Laird and Bill Zweier, who developed form advanced for sophomores, should be contenders for the varsity with more experience.

Alec Franco, with little previous basketball background, improved to a degree where he may be regarded as potential material, for he has enough height and speed.

Undoubtedly the applause of the season should go to Soph Coach Eugene Branson, who has been teaching his boys some excellent basic principles of basketball, which were more fully realized under Coach Heinlen's system.

Mr. Branson has greatly stressed rebounding, including the tip which was used to advantage by Dank and Kolb. His accent on such things as sound passing lanes, finger-tip control, safe two hand pass, arch on set shots and jump balls, etc., are the mark of good coaching.

It is obvious that Mr. Heinlen definitely has the system which is needed for basketball. The outstanding squads of the L. E. L., Heights and Shaw, have a distinct pattern under their coaches Vannorsdall and Wisecup. Their systems are always apparent despite varying personnel. A system pays off, and all Shaker needs is increased student support to accompany capable coaching by Heinlen and Branson.



Amster and Hollander

Ronald Bartholomew, left, broad jump artist, and Coach Ray Singer check John Ruffini's time in an indoor four mile run at the Case Gymnasium Club. Ronnie and John are lettermen. Jim Weizer, not shown in the photograph, is the other monogram returnee. Weizer's specialty is the shotput.

Thinclads enter scholastic indoor meet at Arena, March

21, at 8 p. m. Track coach Ray Singer will send his green but hopeful cinder squad into the same meet in which last year Shaker's club, led by Ed Meadows and Ralph Stephan, swept to the long recalled victory that heralded the beginning of the finest season in many years.

Most of last season's team have graduated, with new stars and much practice the Raiders will try to duplicate last spring's performance.

One of the surprises of preseason practice has been the showing of Bruce MacNab in the 50-yard low hurdles. He has been unofficially timed in 6.7 seconds, a mere two-tenths of a second off the Arena meet record.

Another surprise has been Bill McConnell. Bill has been pressing close on the heels of George Scholley, prelope best bet in the mile.

Five lettermen who will be back are Jim Weizer in the shotput, which he nailed last year, John

Ruffini in the 440, Ron Bartholomew in the broad jump, and Sam Caruso and Bruce MacNab in the hurdles.

Wednesday, March 19, is the date for the finals in the shotput and high jump. The prelim dashes will be held Friday afternoon, as well as the finals in the two-mile relay.

Track practice inaugurated in January

Shaker runners have been practicing since the week of mid-term exams. For a month they worked out in the basement. Since then they have been migrating down the hill two and three times weekly to Case's indoor tracks. The third floor and boy's gym have been the scene of hurdle practice.

Of Shaker's 39 points in their Class B triumph at the icehouse last March, 18 were racked up by Stephan and Meadows.

Practice meets have been held at East Tech, Euclid Central.

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Veteran infield boosts Raider baseball hopes

as Coach Fred Heinlen takes his inaugural fling at Shaker baseball.

The winter sports parade was almost entirely building for the future. On the other hand, the baseball Raiders are headed by a nucleus of stars who, at their usual best, lead any list of high school luminaries.

A brilliant infield needs only to be completed at second base. Bill Hanscomb may turn the trick there. The outfield stands a mystery except, perhaps, for Jack Sload, who smacks the horsehide a mighty long way.

But that inner garden!

At shortstop will be Dick Schultz. Last spring he was the finest fielding infielder in Cleveland scholastic circles. His hitting, however, was average during the semester. In the summer he joined the Class C Bissett Steel team, C being a much tougher league.

Continuing to field as well, and even better, Dick rounded into top batting form and was knocking out hits consistently—one a drive that would have carried well beyond Aldersyde from the Shaker diamond. He was given honorable mention in one of the Press' Sandlotter-of-the-week awards.

Polk, third base letterman

Herb Polk, who connected for one of last spring's longest high school belts, a 340-foot homer at Heights, also was a member of the Bissett nine. Herb, mostly a power hitter, will cover the hot corner.

Two brothers in the Crutch Society of America, Jerry Cook and George Bissell, round out the expected mainstays of the Red and White. Jerry takes over the catching duties for his third consecutive year. He's been a long-ball hitter since he smacked a triple off Benedictine's Joe Kotrany as a soph.

George, a very promising moundsman during his brief moments as a hurler, may hold the first-string pitching chores or play first. If the snappy southpaw displays a superl-



Jerry Davis

Returning baseball shortstop, Dick Schultz, steps up to the plate for some pre-season practice.

riority over the other pitching hopefuls, he'll start as many games as possible on the mound. Otherwise, the majority of his efforts will be at the initial sack.

Another possible finger is Skip Rosser, who, if able to regain his form of yesteryear, could well fill the gaping hole left by Phil Dawson's departure; Mike Smith, who saw little service last year and soph Carl Schultz, summer Class D expert at both the mound and the plate, are others figuring in the hurling plans.

If George starts to face the batters, it's likely Norm Baskind will take over first. Norm saw a good deal of action last spring.

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